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PATENT APPLICATION

5 Entitled : A DEVICE FOR PROTECTING A COVER, THE USE OF A
DEVICE FOR PROTECTING A COVER, A METHOD OF
FITTING A COVER ON A PROBE, AND A METHOD OF
MAKING A DEVICE FOR PROTECTING A COVER

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

20 The invention relates to a device for protecting a cover. According to the invention, said cover is flexible and tubular in shape being closed at one end and open at its other end, and said cover is disposed at least in part inside a hollow tubular protective element
25 referred to as a protective tube, which element is open at both ends. The device of the invention is particularly suited for use in the medical field, in particular for covering, preferably in sterile manner, a tool that is to be inserted in an animal or a human
30 being, in particular in a natural passage such as the esophagus, the urethra, the rectum, or a blood vessel.